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In re Application of: )  
Jeffrey A. Trogolo et. al. ) Examiner: Bennett, Rachel M.  
Application No.: 10/032,370 ) Group Art Unit: 1615  
Filed: December 21, 2001 )  
For: High Aspect Ratio Encapsulated Inorganic )  
Antimicrobial Additive for Controlled Release )

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 12, 2003  
AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued on June 12, 2003 with respect to the above-identified pending patent application, please enter the following amendment and response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2. The Remarks begin on page 6. The Petition for Three Month Extension of Time is found on page 10.

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